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In re:	John Thomas Aylward	Confirmation No.:	2496
Application No.:	10/034,436	Group No.:	3721
Filed:	12/27/2001	Examiner:	Hemant Desai
For:	APPARATUS FOR HANDLING AND PACKAGING FRIABLE TABLETS		

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months to respond to the Office Action dated May 9, 2003.
2. Applicant is ☒ a small entity; ☐ other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

	Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
☐	one month	$110.00	$55.00
☐	two months	$420.00	$210.00
☒	three months	$950.00	$475.00
☐	four months	$1,480.00	$740.00
☐	five months*	$2,010.00	$1,005.00

**Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.*

☐ A check in the amount of $_____ is enclosed.
☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.
☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.

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